# Mass for the Intentions Week

Tuesday. January 8, 2019

7:00 p.m. Mrs. Makdonia Kappo Amo req Peter & Carol O'Hagan Cathy Doody req family
Teresa Bowen req Greg & Colette Donelson Maria & Evaristo Carreiro

req Oliver Carreiro

Souls in Purgatory req Oliver Carreiro

Wednesday, January 9, 2019

7:30 a.m. Mass at Blessed Sacrament

Thursday, January 10, 2019

9:00 a.m. Maureen Walsh

req Norma Walsh

Friday, January 11, 2019

9:00 a.m. Mass at Blessed Sacrament

Saturday, January 12, 2019

5:00 p.m. Mass at Blessed Sacrament

Sunday, January 13, 2019

9:00 a.m. For the Living & Deceased Members of Sacred Heart Parish

# **PARISH MINISTRIES**

Sunday January 6, 2019

Lectors Gus & Aldona Hubbard

**Eucharistic Ministers** Nida Casabuena & Alex Mensa

#### **VOCATIONS**

"On entering the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother; and they knelt down and paid him homage. Then, opening their treasure chests, they offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh." God asks us to give our lives. What treasures have been given to you to share with others in Christ's name? If you think God is calling you to be a priest, contact Fr. Michael King, Vocation Director, Diocese of Hamilton 905-528-7988.

## **COLLECTION COUNTERS NEEDED!**

We are in need of more collection counters. If you can count one week a month following mass please call the office at 905 383-3280

#### DON'T FORGET OUR PARISH CENTRE

Ideal for anniversaries, small weddings, baptisms, birthday parties and showers. Call 905-387-6650.



# LAUDATO SI-ON THE CARE FOR OUR COMMON HOME

An Encyclical published by His Holiness Pope Francis in 2015

Pope Francis writes about: Technology, Human Values and Job Loss

"In order to continue providing employment, it is imperative to an economy which favours productive diversity and business creativity. For example, there is a great variety of small-scale food production systems which feed the greater part of the world's peoples, using a modest amount of land and producing less waste, be it in small agricultural parcels, in orchards and gardens, hunting and wild harvesting or local fishing. Economics of scale, especially in the agricultural sector, end up forcing smallholders to sell their land or to abandon their traditional crops. Civil authorities have the right and duty to adopt clear and firm measures in support of small producers and differentiated production. Restraints occasionally have to be imposed on those possessing greater resources and financial power."

"Saint John Paul II stressed the benefits of scientific and technological progress. He made it clear that the Church values the benefits which result from the study and applications of molecular biology, supplemented by other disciplines such as genetics, and its technological application in agriculture and industry. He also pointed out that this should not lead to indiscriminate genetic manipulation that ignores the negative effects of such interventions."

"Although no conclusive proof exits that Genetically Modified cereals may be harmful to human beings, and in some regions their use has brought economic growth, there remain a number of significant difficulties which should not be underestimated. The expansion of these crops has the effect of destroying complex network of ecosystems, diminishing the diversity of production and affecting regional economies, now and in the future. Discussions are needed in which all those directly or indirectly affected (farmers, consumers, civil authorities, scientists, seed producers, people living near fumigated fields, and others) can make known their problems and concerns and have access to adequate and reliable information in order to make decisions for the common good, present and future."

"When technology disregards the great ethical principles, it ends up considering any practice

whatsoever as licit. A technology severed from ethics will not easily be able to limit its own power."

Comment: The past few decades has seen the disappearance of small farms and food producers and their lands taken over by large corporations. To increase crop yields, these large corporations have used pesticides and herbicides that protect their crops but in turn ending up in the food chains that can cause health issues for humans. One substance -glysophatehas been found in some cereals. Studies have shown that glysophate can cause cancer. Despite these studies, companies continue to produce products that contain this substance because the governments will not ban it. Pope Francis encourages people everywhere to support local farmers. Here in our area, there is a farmer's market in the parking lot of Sacred Heart School every Saturday during the growing season. We are encouraged to support these local farmers by taking the time to go there. We can also support our farmers when we go to a grocery store by buying local produce only. Pope Francis also asks us to become more aware of how many jobs are being lost to technology and automation. These job losses are because big business want to increase profit. As one owner said, 'robots don't take sick days'. Robots will replace millions of jobs in Canada, jobs that our young people need. Just because the technology is there, it does not mean that we accept it,

# HAMILTON DIOCESAN PRAYER

Mon. Jan. 7 Rev. Stipe Renic, O.F.M.

Tues. Jan. 8 Rev. Peter Watters

Wed. Jan. 9 Felician Franciscan Sisters

Thurs. Jan. 10 Rev. Ilija Petkovic Fri. Jan. 11 Rev. Msgr. IvanVuksic

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Sat. Jan. 12 Rev. Michael Vanderbeek, L.C.

#### ANNUAL BIBLE STUDY

The Second Annual Bible Sunday will be observed in Hamilton Diocese on Sunday, February 3, 2019. The focus of this year's observance is "Listening to God's Word at Mass". Two special presentations on the Gospel of Luke will be offered by Fr. Michael Patella, O.S.B. St. Michael Parish, Waterloo (2:00-3:30 p.m.) and the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King, Hamilton (7:00-8:30 p.m.). Plan to attend one of these presentations which will outline what to listen for during this Year of Luke.



We are inviting all the parish volunteers to an Appreciation Potluck Dinner on Friday, January 25, 2019. Doors Open at 6:00 p.m. – we will be sitting to eat at 6:30 p.m. See you there!

## **FORMED.ORG**

As presented two weeks ago the parish has purchased a subscription for formed.org. Formed.org is an on line streaming system that allows you to stream videos, audio books, study series and other Catholic content. To register yourself and your family please go to the following link, mbssh.formed.org. All you need is an email address sign up

# **COLLECTION ENVELOPES**

Boxes of envelopes are at the back of the church. If you would like to have weekly envelopes and do not find them at the back, please call the office at 905 383-3280 and we will make them available to you.

# PARISH LEGACIES & BEQUESTS

Keep your love for your parish alive. Remember Sacred Heart Parish in your will and when recommending expression of sympathy.

Sunday, December 9, 2018

Total Offering \$2567.30

Sunday, December 16, 2018

Total Offering \$3875.15

#### **GRIEF RELIEF**

Has someone you cared about died? Are you grieving the loss of the person's presence in your life? Are you wondering if these feelings are normal? You are not alone. Grier Relief is a six week educational and support series dealing with grief on Wednesday - January 23, 30, and February 6, 13, 20 & 27 from 7:00 - 8:30 p.m.at the Good Shepherd Square Community Room - 15 Ray St. North, Hamilton.

Facilitated by Linda Nash (MDiv) and Sister Margarida DaSilva (SSND). There is no cost to participate. All are welcome to attend these free sessions; come to all sessions, or as many as you can. To register contact Sister Margarida (905) 515-0789; <a href="MDaSilva@gsch.ca">MDaSilva@gsch.ca</a> or Linda Nash (905)308-8401; LNash@gsch.ca